## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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## MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable Thomas W. Phillips

United States District Judge

FROM:

Adrienne Simpson-Brown

United States Probation Officer

RE:

John L. Symonds

Docket No. 3:07-CR-77-001 Request for International Travel

DATE:

January 9, 2008

On December 18, 2007, the above named offender was sentenced by this Court to two years probation after having pled guilty to one count of Making False and Fictitious Statements. Mr. Symonds was also ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine and a \$100 special assessment fee, both of which have been paid in full. Mr. Symonds resides in Florence, Alabama, and is being supervised by United States Probation Officer John Gurley. Mr. Gurley advised this officer on January 7, 2008, of Mr. Symonds' request to travel internationally to Cape Town, South Africa, for business purposes. Specifically, Mr. Symonds is a consultant on a project requiring Mr. Symonds' expertise to explain the company's understanding of a technological design to potential investors. Mr. Symonds advised he may need to travel in the future on at least two or more occasions to the same location, for at least a week at a time.

Based on Mr. Symonds' pretrial supervision performance and his excellent cooperation, Mr. Gurley does not oppose Mr. Symonds' travel to South Africa. The United States advised it does not oppose such travel and this officer also has no opposition to Mr. Symonds' request to travel to South Africa for business purposes.

Please advise this office of the Court's preference in this matter.

Agree with Officer's Recommendation for International Travel

Disagree with Officer's Recommendation for International Travel

The Honorable Thomas W. Phillips United States District Judge